

Mrs. Sheehan's Classroom News 3rd/4th Grade

Oct. 1-5th

IB focus: Balanced



IB UNIT OF INQUIRY

Central Idea: Government systems and decisions affect equal opportunities and social justice

If your children haven't shown you yet, pull up https://www.icivics.org/games on your computer and play the game "branches of power". The game will take you from an idea to a law, The children loved playing the game as we help first the Executive branch bring an idea to a press conference, answer questions before moving it on to the Legislative branch, go to a town meeting and add amendments. When it asks you to register at the beginning just hit "No Thanks". We played the tutorial which helps you move through the process.

This next week, the children will continue to explore the responsibilities of each branch of government before we move on to discuss the responsibilities of citizens. Then, we will look at the rights set forth in the Washington Constitution and how they affect equal opportunities and social justice..

Religion

We have finished Chapter 2 and will be completing our open book Chapter Review on Monday.

Chapter 3 is titled "The Ten Commandments". Our objectives are to understand the importance of doing God's will, learn how God led his people to freedom and learn the ten commandments and what they mean. Also, to name ways to keep the Commandments and honor and praise God.

2nd Step/SEL

Monday, we will be finishing up Lesson 2 on "Listening with Attention" with the Home Link coming home to extend the learning with practice for the children to complete with you.

Lesson 3's focus is on Being Assertive. They will learn that being assertive means asking for what you need or want in a calm, firm, respectful voice. That being assertive helps you be successful in a variety of social and academic situations. The children will be identifying passive, aggressive, and assertive responses. They will practice assertive responses with partners.

Math and ELA

All Math and ELA classes will be sending home emails to parents and posting on teacher classroom web pages information about their math and ELA classes.

Each math class will be going to **Robotics** once a week. The class is instructed by Mr. Huntamer.

Upcoming Events

Bless the Pets
(after 8 am mass)
Oct 6-7
BAKE SALE

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Oct. 11 Shoreline Mayor will be

visiting at 1:30

Oct. 12 NO SCHOOL (Teacher Retreat)

Oct. 16 Parent presentation on

Mental Wellness
Oct. 17 picture retakes

Oct. 18 Mass (dress uniform)
Feast of St. Luke

oct. 19 Progress Reports

Oct. 27 Bingo Bash

Star Student

Oct. 1-5 Lucas
Oct. 8-12 Siena
Oct. 15-19 Bennett
Oct. 22-26 Henry

Oct. 29-Nov.2 Liam

Information and the sheets pertaining to star students are available at any time. They are located below the "I Wonder" Bulletin Board. You can also see what is happening each day on the class web page.